

Amendments to the Specification:

IN THE TITLE:

Please replace the title with the following rewritten title

~~IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS, AND METHOD FOR IMAGE PROCESSING
METHOD, AND STORAGE MEDIUM FOR PICKED UP IMAGES OF HAND-WRITTEN
CHARACTERS USING CODED STRUCTURED LIGHT AND TIME SERIES FRAME~~

CAPTURE

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph at page 29, line 23 – page 30, line 2 with the following rewritten paragraph:

In step S1601, a reading range is specified. This can be done by displaying, on a monitor through the image memory B-~~1306~~ 1307, data stored in the image memory A ~~1305~~ 1304 after being picked up by the three-dimensional image pickup apparatus 1300 as shown in FIG. 13 and specifying a reading range on the display screen. An image in an area specified as a reading range is stored in the image memories A and B as initial frame data, and are used as frame data comparison data and storage data.